

# **newsl**ine extra

*Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.*

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## **Senior Friendly Libraries workshops scheduled for September**

Whether it's surfing the web, mastering a new language, or understanding the essentials of stock trading, today's seniors are eager to explore new learning opportunities. Seniors' educational pursuits may focus on hobbies, technology, or skills to begin third age careers. Whatever the focus, continued intellectual growth and development contributes to successful aging. Libraries serve a unique and significant role in their communities as the primary resources for elderlearning.

The Missouri State Library is sponsoring **Senior Friendly Libraries**, two workshops that will explore the library's role as an avenue for lifelong learning. Dates and locations:

**September 22 - St. Louis County Library, Thornhill Branch**

**September 24 - The Library Center, Springfield-Greene County Library**

For more information about the program and to register, visit:

<http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/srfriendly/>

**PLEASE NOTE: If you registered online between August 15 and August 21, please submit a new online registration form. Some registrations may have been lost due to technical problems.**

## **Call for Missouri LSTA grants**

The State Library will issue a call for grants during the week of September 8, 2003. Grant applications will be open for the period beginning January 1, 2004 and ending December 31, 2004 (some exceptions apply). Available programs will include Adaptive Equipment, After School Connections, Computer Training Labs, Digital Imaging (Tracks I, II, and III), Discoveries-- Programming for Seniors, English as a Second Language Conversation Partners Groups, English as a Second Language Immigrant Narrative Projects, and Videoconferencing Network. Two new programs are also available for the upcoming grant call: GED/Adult Education Study Groups, GED Connection or Workplace Essential Skills Study Groups.

Applications and guidelines will be posted on the State Library's website at [www.sos.state.mo.us/library/development](http://www.sos.state.mo.us/library/development) under "Grant Programs

Information.” Questions about LSTA grants should be directed to Kay Callison, LSTA coordinator, at 800-325-0131, ext. 9 or [callik@sosmail.state.mo.us](mailto:callik@sosmail.state.mo.us).

## **National grant opportunities**

\* Check out [www.sbdbooks.com/grant.htm](http://www.sbdbooks.com/grant.htm) for information on a \$1,000 grant for Spanish language books.

\* The Association of Library Service to Children/Book Wholesalers Reading Program Grant is designed to encourage reading programs for children in a public library by providing financial assistance of \$3,000. To learn more about the grant, go to Google and type in the name of the grant (ALA’s URL for the grant takes up two lines).

## **State Library consultant retires**

Madeline Matson, the State Library’s senior consultant for publications and coordinator for Missouri Center for the Book, will retire August 29, 2003. Matson has been with the State Library for 28 years. We congratulate her on her many achievements during her tenure with the State Library, and wish her continued success. She will continue to work on editorial and promotional projects and complete her second book. She may be reached at [madelinematson@hotmail.com](mailto:madelinematson@hotmail.com)

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